

WINNIPEG ELECTRIC COMPANY

AND

ITS EMPLOYEES

Facts and Figures for Your Information

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OUR NEW PRESIDENT



He was born and raised on a bush farm in Illinois where he split rails, as Abe Lincoln did, and worked at stooking corn and other farm activities. Later on he became a full fledged laborer working on the railroad with a pick and shovel. From there he found his proper place in the construction field. He went through the various stages as timekeeper, straw boss and superintendent. He was construction superintendent for Grace & Company on different building projects in the United States and Canada. In this capacity he came to Winnipeg in 1903. In 1907 he left Grace & Company and formed the construction firm of Carter-Halls-Aldinger Company, Limited.

This firm has constructed many important buildings in Winnipeg and elsewhere across Canada, including the Pine Falls Paper Mill, Seven Sisters Power Plant and such other buildings as the Grain Exchange, Electric Railway Chambers, Hudson's Bay Store and many others.

W. H. Carter, our new President, takes up his new duties with a background of continuous business success. Coming to the Company at this time when conditions are so serious and strenuous, he is taking on a very heavy responsibility, but he has faced difficulties and difficult times successfully before and he will without question do so again.

Mr. Carter is leaving a company where he enjoyed the confidence and friendship of many loyal and capable employees.

OUR NEW PRESIDENT (Cont.)

Having come along the rough road himself he has a sympathetic understanding, which no doubt results in those working with him being brought into closer contact.

Mr. Carter has been a director of our Company for a long time and in recent years served as Vice-President.

Our retiring President, Edward Anderson, K.C., has been elected Chairman of our Board of Directors.



OUR NEW VICE-PRESIDENT

Our new Vice-President, C. S. Riley, better known to most people as "Con" is a product of Winnipeg Public Schools. For eight years he was employed with the Northern Pacific Railway Traffic Department after which he joined the Canadian Fire Insurance Co. with which he is now associated. Mr. Riley now holds the following important positions:

President of the Northern Trusts Company.

Vice-President and Managing-Director of The Canadian Fire Insurance Company.

Vice-President and Managing-Director of The Canadian Indemnity Company.

Member of the Canadian Committee of the Hudson's Bay Company.

Director of the Royal Bank of Canada.

From 1916 to 1919 Mr. Riley commanded a battery of Canadian Field Artillery overseas and in his younger days successfully represented Winnipeg as an oarsman at many national and international regattas.



WE HAVE THOUGHT THIS ALL THE TIME

We have heard so many statements as to who is responsible for the low cost of electricity in Winnipeg that it was quite refreshing to read in the Winnipeg Tribune on June 29th last the following statement:

"After perusing Edmonton's financial report for 1939, recently issued, a Winnipeg city official mused that probably we enjoyed low electricity rates on account of the existence of the private company.

"His argument ran like this: Edmonton with its own power supply and no competition has been tempted beyond its strength to use this electrical and other public utilities as a milch cow. Edmonton had done this, he declared, pointing to figures in the report, to such an extent that any advantage from municipal ownership had been largely lost."

WE PAY TAXES TOO

When you are told of the large amount of contributions made to the City of Winnipeg's taxes by other institutions you can take pride in the fact that your company - the Winnipeg Electric Company - paid \$1,743,974 in taxes during the past three years, \$1,074,635 went direct to the City of Winnipeg.

Our Winnipeg Taxes alone:

For two years more than equal the annual cost of the Winnipeg Police Department.

or

almost equal the annual cost of Winnipeg's Fire Department.

or

taking one year's taxes only, they are one and one-half times greater than the cost of Winnipeg's parks, swimming pools and playgrounds.

or

almost enough to pay the annual cost to the taxpayers of Winnipeg's hospitals and child welfare costs.

Winnipeg Electric Company certainly contributes its full share - some feel we pay more than our share - when it comes to paying taxes.



SAVE TO WIN

The response of the employees to the Company's appeal for support of the War Savings Stamps and Certificates Campaign was very prompt and very substantial.

Are you doing all you can? Think of the sacrifices Canadians on active service are making! Think of what the people in the island fortress of Great Britain are doing! Compared with what they are giving anything that we can give or do to help win the war will be little indeed.



THE GOVERNMENT HAS ASKED US

The Canadian Government is anxious to relieve as much as possible the pressure upon the railroads this fall and winter which will result from the country's war activities.

They have therefore issued a national appeal to Canadians to get in their winter fuel as soon as possible.

Winneco coke, made by your fellow employees and an all-Canadian fuel, is now available to you until further notice on the same terms as last year. Advise the head of your department of your needs and whether or not you wish to pay by payroll deductions. Price until further notice, \$13.00 per ton.

BOOSTING THE RECORDS

Well done, men of the Railway Utility! You who were awarded "No Accident" badges in April, May and June.

We think your fellow employees should know who you are so we publish your names hereunder:

10 years without an accident: Messrs. J. Ames and A. R. Bubbs.

5 years without an accident: Messrs. R. B. Parker, H. Picken and S. A. Reiley.

1 year without an accident: Messrs. J. Adams, G. W. Armstrong N. Crossley, W. Valentine, J. Young, F. Heaps, B. G. Jarvis, G. Lee, J. Murchie, H. G. Walker, J. McClure, R. Peacock, P. Ahern, H. Decter, R. Hyslop, J. Land, L. Phillips and H. Watson.



THE WINNAH!

Team B was the winner of our Truck and Auto Safety Competition for the three months to June 30. Members of the team were Messrs. R. A. Anderson, W. Anderson, B. Clarkson, A. Guthrie, J. Goldsbrough, J. C. Hawes, J. Hunt, L. Lindquist, J. Manson, L. E. Messett, W. Millar, J. Moffatt, E. Nelson, J. Nordal, C. L. Norman, G. Pember, E. Sewell, F. A. Smith, E. J. Wallis, J. White, J. K. Williamson, C. Woodman and H. A. Yeo. They operated 50,193 miles without one single chargeable accident.

They were entertained with their lady friends at July Safety Dinner at Selkirk Park.



WOULD YOU LIKE MORE MONEY?

The "Ayes" undoubtedly have it - at least they can have it if they follow a few simple rules.

We have 1,850 employees and they with their families number altogether 7,500 persons.

Each employee has friends and those friends from time to time want to buy things which the company sells, such as gas, coke, fans, ranges, refrigerators, clocks, irons, percolators, lamps, bulbs, ironers, washing machines and so on. Why not help get the business for the Company?

The Company pays commission on sales of electrical and gas appliances made to prospects whose names are sent in by employees. All you have to do is let the Appliance Department know the details - Phone 904 321 - they will make the sale and you will get a commission.